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MISSOULA—

An upcoming field trip will offer participants of all ages a hands-on, interpretive tour of Glacial Lake Missoula features in western Montana, with a special emphasis on geology of the Flathead Lake area.

“High Tide in Montana: Missoula to Flathead Lake” takes place from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 30. The daylong bus tour is sponsored by the Glacial Lake Missoula Chapter of the Ice Age Floods Institute.

University of Montana geology Professor Marc Hendrix will lead the trip, along with professional interpreters and field guides from the Glacial Lake Missoula Chapter and the Montana Natural History Center. Hendrix leads a team that has conducted core sampling research on Flathead Lake, revealing a wealth of information about Glacial Lake Missoula and the geology of the region.

The tour begins in Missoula and heads to the People’s Center in Pablo to pick up

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additional field trip participants, then travels around the west shore of Flathead Lake to Lakeside. From Lakeside the tour will work its way back to Kerr Dam and Polson.

Cost of the tour is \$75, which includes a one-year IAFI membership, \$40 for IAFI members and \$20 for students. The fee includes transportation, lunch and non-alcoholic beverages.

Field trip registration and payment must be received by Sept. 16.

For registration forms or more information, call Larry Lambert, GLM Chapter president, 406-370-5987, or e-mail him at larry@glaciallakemissoula.com.

The Inn on Broadway is offering a special room rate for participants who mention Glacial Lake Missoula. Call (800) 286-2316 or (406) 543-7231 to book a room.

The Ice Age Floods Institute is a regional, nonprofit organization of citizens committed to telling the story of the cataclysmic floods that swept across Montana, Idaho, Washington and Oregon. Its Glacial Lake Missoula Chapter encompasses Montana, particularly those parts of the state once covered by the lake.

For more information about IAFI, go online to <http://www.iceagefloodsinstitute.org>.

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